

Course Announcement

Preparing Valid Search Warrants

Course Title: Preparing Valid Search Warrants

Host: 41st Judicial Circuit (Blount Co.) District Attorney's Office, Pamela L. Casey, DA

When: March 17, 2023, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Where: Little Brick Church, 112 2nd Ave. East, Oneonta, AL 35121

Cost: FREE! The 41st Judicial Circuit DA's Office is covering all costs for this course including handouts, lunch, and refreshments. Students are responsible for their own transportation costs to and from the course.

Class Size: 30 students

Course Description: This course will present the student with a thorough and detailed description of the search warrant process beginning with a review of search warrant laws and exceptions and continuing with the general process for obtaining a search warrant. The course will also cover a detailed description of what information to include in a search warrant to establish probable cause and how to particularly describe the places to be searched and the items to be seized for various types of search warrants including searches related to homicides, felony assaults, sexual assaults, narcotics, and electronics. The course will conclude with a presentation from a sitting judge on a judge's perspective and what the judge is looking for in the search warrant, affidavit, and application.

Schedule:

8:00 – 8:30	Registration and Introduction
8:30 – 12:00	Search and Seizure Laws Search Warrant Exceptions The Process for Obtaining a Search Warrant (Jeff Bradley, AL Office of Prosecution Services)
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 4:00	A Deep Dive into Establishing Probable Cause and Particularly Describing Places to Be Searched and Items to Be Seized (Field Morton, Birmingham PD Homicide Division)
4:00 – 4:30	A Judge's Perspective (Judge Greg Reid, Circuit Judge, AL 41 st Judicial Circuit)
4:30 – 5:00	Closing Comments and Certificate Presentation

Registration: To register for this course, send the following information to Ron Kiker at Investigator@blountcountyda.com

- Agency
- Student(s) Name
- Student(s) Email
- Student(s) Phone